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First-Round Bye

Ugly win over Giants puts Eagles in good spot

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The Eagles have seven players on their roster who have won a Super Bowl in their careers, but only one of them was on the field Sunday for the play that, at last, allowed everyone to exhale. Fourth-and-goal for the New York Giants at MetLife Stadium, 48 seconds left, the Eagles leading by five points, and safety Malcolm Jenkins dropped into coverage and saw Eli Manning's pass toward tight end Evan Engram sail out of the end zone, and Jenkins knew, for the moment, that everything was going to be all right.

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The Eagles were going to win, 34-29. They were going to assure themselves of a first-round bye in the NFC postseason tournament. They still could clinch home-field advantage throughout the conference playoffs. And yet ...

"That's the part that you celebrate, that you're happy with," said Jenkins, a rookie on the New Orleans Saints' 2009 championship team. "You got a win in your division. You secured a

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Eagles quarterback Nick Foles scrambles with Giants defensive ends Jason Pierre-Paul (left) and Olivier Vernon in pursuit. Foles threw four touchdown passes in his first start. YONG KIM / Staff Photographer

Six pages of Eagles coverage in Sports, Section D

STATE SENATE

Wolf: Leach should resign

The governor's call followed a report alleging inappropriate touching and offensive talk.

By Angela Couloumbis and David Gambacorta
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Gov. Wolf on Sunday called on State Sen. Daylin Leach to resign in the wake of a report by the Inquirer and Daily News that eight women and three men have claimed that the Montgomery County legislator had inappropriately touched female campaign staffers or subjected them to highly sexualized conversations.

Daylin Leach is a Democratic state senator from Wayne.

"This disturbing behavior is absolutely unacceptable. Sen. Leach should resign," the governor said in a stinging rebuke of a fellow Democrat. "While he has been a leader on important policy issues, this conduct cannot be excused. As I have said previously, this is not a partisan issue. The lack of adequate structure for victims to report this type of behavior and feel protected is inexcusable, and underscores that Harrisburg's culture must change."

Other former colleagues or fellow party members on Sunday echoed

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SPECIAL COUNSEL

Trump: I won't fire Mueller

His pledge comes a day after a lawyer accused the special counsel of wrongfully gaining thousands of emails.

By Philip Rucker, Josh Dawsey, and Sari Horwitz
WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — President Trump on Sunday sought to douse speculation that he may fire Special Counsel Robert Mueller amid an intensifying campaign by Trump allies to attack the wide-ranging Russia investigation as improper and politically motivated.

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Returning to the White House from Camp David, Trump was asked Sunday whether he was planning to fire Mueller. "No, I'm not," he told journalists, insisting that there was "no collusion whatsoever" between his campaign and Russia.

The president's comments came a day after a lawyer representing Trump's transition team accused Mueller of wrongfully obtaining thousands of emails sent and re-

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RAILROAD SAFETY

Amtrak improving, but gaps remain

A year and a half after fatal Chester derailment, faults seen in regulator, too.

By Jason Laughlin
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It's been a month since the nation's transportation watchdog found that simply following safety procedures could have prevented a 2016 Amtrak train crash in Chester that killed two rail workers and injured 39 passengers.

"Amtrak's safety culture is failing — and is primed to fail again — until and unless Amtrak changes the way it practices safety management," wrote Robert Sumwalt, chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, after a Nov. 14 hearing in Washington.

Transportation safety officials, national legislators, and rail experts have some specific ideas on what fixes would be most effective and are waiting to see whether Amtrak and the Federal Railroad Administration, the agency that regulates rail travel in the United States, adopt recommendations

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The Amtrak locomotive that struck a backhoe on a southbound track, killing two workers, in April 2016. Experts wait to see if recommendations will be adopted. MICHAEL BRYANT / File Photograph

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